The Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission aims at improving city-wide infrastructure and providing basic services to the urban poor, including security of land tenure, affordable housing, water, sanitation, education, health and social security. Under the components of Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and Integrated Housing & Slum Development Programme of JNNURM, beneficiary contribution for housing is restricted to 10% for SC and ST beneficiaries as against 12% for general categories.

The Swarna Jayanti Sahari Rojgar Yojana (SJSRY) aims at providing gainful employment to the urban unemployed and underemployed poor by (i) encouraging the setting up of self-employment ventures by those who have not studied beyond Nineth standard, (ii) providing wage employment for construction of socially and economically useful public assets and (iii) promoting the development of skills through training. The scheme stipulates that the number of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe beneficiaries must be at least to the extent of the proportion of their strength respectively in the local population.

JNNURM and SJSRY are being implemented as part of the Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012).

American technology in atomic energy

†*94.SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has given an assurance to America with regard to awarding contract of establishing an atomic energy plant of 10,000 MW;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that American technology is inferior to that of Russia and France;

(d) whether it is also a fact that not a single new reactor has been manufactured in America during the last two or three decades; and

(e) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) and (b) India has conveyed to the United States of America her intent to cooperate with US nuclear energy firms in setting up nuclear power plants on the basis of mutually acceptable technical and commercial terms and conditions that enable a viable tariff regime for electricity generated.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Five reactors have commenced commercial operation in last 20 years.

(e) The capacity addition in the USA is seen in the context of increasing plant load factor from 54% in the year 1980 to 91.8% in the year 2008 and addition of 3810 MWe from nuclear power uprates. These have resulted maintaining nuclear share between 18 - 20% in spite of low nuclear power capacity addition.

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†*95.SHRI ALI ANWAR ANSARI:
SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.